

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Atty. Docket No. 7163

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Code Enhanced Equalization Based Upon a Reliability Factor," the specification of which (check one): ☒ is attached hereto; ☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable) was filed as PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended under Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

(Application Serial Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	Priority Claimed	
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 U.S.C. § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I hereby appoint as my attorneys, with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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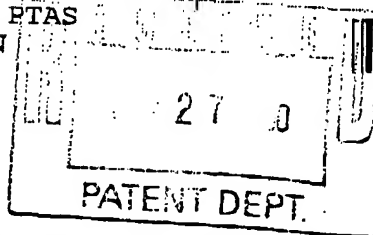
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In Consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we:

RICHARD W. CITTA of OAK PARK, ILLINOIS  
PETER HO of CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

sell and assign to ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORPORATION, a corporation of Delaware whose principal place of business is located at 1000 Milwaukee Avenue, Glenview, Illinois 60025, United States of America, its successors and assigns, all right, title, and interest in the United States and throughout the world in and to the improvements in "CODE ENHANCED EQUALIZATION BASED UPON A RELIABILITY FACTOR" invented by us, and the application for United States Letters Patent therefor executed concurrently herewith, and any corresponding applications filed anywhere in the world, and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all patents on said improvements or resulting therefrom to said Corporation as assignee of the entire interest, and covenant that we have full right so to do, and agree that we will communicate to said Corporation or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid said Corporation, its successors, assigns and nominees, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in all countries, and we authorize any of our principal attorneys of record in said application to insert on this assignment the filing date and serial number of said application, when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000.

Richard W. Citta L.S.  
Peter Ho L.S.

STATE of Illinois  
COUNTY of Cook

On this 17 day of May, 2000, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Peter Ho and Richard W. Citta to me personally known as the individuals who executed the foregoing assignment, and who acknowledged to me that they executed the same of their own free will and for the purposes therein set forth.

Sharon Kroll

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